GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:7046
ANSWERED ON:12.05.2005
DOUBLING OF RAILWAY TRACK BETWEEN CUTTACK AND BARANG
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Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether doubling of the Railway track between Cuttack and Barang under East Coast Railway has been sanctioned long back;

(b) if so, the total cost of the project;

(c) the total amount sanctioned and released till date;

(d) the present status of the project; and

(e) the time schedule for completion of the said project?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS (SHRI R. VELU)

(a): Doubling of Cuttack-Barang was included in the Budget 2003-04.

(b) & (c): The anticipated cost of the project is Rs.127.13 crore. An expenditure of about Rs.6.73 crore (provisional) has been incurred on the project upto 31.03.05 and an outlay of Rs.30 crore has been provided during 2005-06.

(d): Final Location Survey has almost been completed. Contract for sub-structure for Kuakhai bridge has been awarded and work taken up. The project is being executed through Asian Development Bank (ADB) funding by Rail Vikas Nigam Limited (RVNL) a company formed by the Ministry of Railways for fast-track execution of certain identified works/projects.

(e): By March,2008.